

INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATION BILL, 1926

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Mr. Wood, from the committee of conference, submitted the following

CONFERENCE REPORT

To accompany H. R. 11505]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 11505) "making appropriations for the Executive Office and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, and offices for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, and for other purposes," having met, after full and free conference have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the Senate recede from its amendment numbered 12.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, and 15, and agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 3:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 3, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

On page 7 of the bill, in line 7, strike out "\$20,880" and insert in lieu thereof \$26,880; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 10:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 10, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter inserted by said amendment insert the following: \$90,000, of which not to exceed \$7,000 shall be available for printing the report of the *American Historical Association*; and the Senate agree to the same.

The committee of conference have not agreed on amendments numbered 2, 5, and 11.

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Managers on the part of the House.

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Managers on the part of the Senate.

STATEMENT OF THE MANAGERS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

The managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 11505) making appropriations for the Executive Office and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, and offices, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1926, and for other purposes submit the following written statement explaining the effect of the action agreed on by the conference committee and submitted in the accompanying conference report:

No. 1: Appropriates \$50,000 as proposed by the Senate for extraordinary repairs to and refurnishing the Executive Mansion, to be expended by contract or otherwise, as the President may determine.

Nos. 3 and 4, relating to the Civil Service Commission: Appropriates \$32,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$26,000 as proposed by the House for the examination of presidential postmasters, and makes \$26,880 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$20,880 as proposed by the House, available for personal services in the District of Columbia; and appropriates \$24,592 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$21,875 as proposed by the House for rent of the Civil Service Commission Building.

Nos. 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10, relating to the Smithsonian Institution: Makes \$26,840 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$19,600 as proposed by the House available for personal services in the District of Columbia in the appropriation for the Astrophysical Observatory; appropriates \$77,560 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$74,560 as proposed by the House, for heating, lighting, electrical, telegraphic and telephonic service for the National Museum, and makes \$41,580 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$40,780 as proposed by the House, available for personal services in the District of Columbia; corrects a total in the bill; and appropriates \$90,000 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$67,000 as proposed by the House for printing and binding of the Smithsonian Institution, and makes \$7,000 of this sum available for expenditure in the printing of the report of the American Historical Association.

No. 12: Appropriates \$9,500 as proposed by the House, instead of \$13,500 as proposed by the Senate, for printing and binding for the Tariff Commission, and strikes out the language inserted by the Senate making \$4,000 of the appropriation available for printing an edition of the Dictionary of Tariff Information.

Nos. 13, 14, and 15, relating to the Emergency Fleet Corporation: Provides for seven employees for the Emergency Fleet Corporation who may receive compensation at a rate not exceeding \$18,000 per annum as proposed by the Senate instead of five as proposed by the House; and corrects the language of the bill.

The committee of conference have not agreed upon the following amendments of the Senate:

No. 2, relating to the detail to the Civil Service Commission of one part-time employee in New York City.

No. 5, relating to the amendment of paragraph 4 of section 1 of the interstate commerce act making it unlawful for any carrier to charge or collect a surcharge for accommodations in parlor or sleeping cars.

No. 11, relating to the participation of members of the Tariff Commission in any proceeding before that commission in which he or any member of his family has any special, direct, and pecuniary interest.

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